

# **EUCC - Deutschland**

# **Annual Report 2007**

EUCC-D has increasingly taken the role of a major "service provider" for coastal and marine issues as well as for ICZM in Germany. This was particularly reflected in the increasing application of media and tools offered by the EUCC-D (e.g. Küsten Newsletter, website, coastal data bases, Reports). Networking Coastline thematically related institutions and projects strengthened and gave proof of the national importance of the association (amongst others with BUND Mecklenburg Western Pomerania, ENCORA, SPICOSA, Association Oceanography German for (DGM)).

The newly established advisory board brought new impulses to the activities of EUCC-D. Their professional competence has been used in the project *Wer, Wie, Watt?* as well as in the publication of Coast*Line* (Special Issue: Coastal Management in Germany) and Coastline Reports, both media of EUCC. Furthermore, they supported the conception and composition of the magazine "Meer & Küste", which, first published in Summer 2007, informs local population and tourists interested in the German Baltic Sea about current coastal issues and the coast's problems.

Among the **main activities** of EUCC-D was the ongoing development and support of the EUCC-Homepage including the new EUCC-Baltic-Homepage, the coastal-databases as well as the coastal education (IKZM-D Lernen, www.ikzm-d.de).

Cooperation with EUCC-IS has been intensified. Some milestones were a three month personnel exchange within the Young Professionals Exchange Programme (ENCORA), the common EU Life+ NGO funding as well as the co-operation within the EUCC-Media (Coast Line, Coastline Reports).

## Members & staff

At the end of 2007, EUCC-D had 86 **members** administered by the EUCC-D office in Warnemuende. Members were informed about ongoing projects and activities via email information letters (five issues in 2007) and participated in decisions by online voting.

In 2007, twelve **employees** took part in the acquisition and implementation of projects. Six **interns** committedly supported the NGO's activities. Numerous members supplied articles for the Coast*Line* special issue "Coastal Management in Germany" and for the information magazine "Meer & Küste".

## Cooperations

The public sailing trip "Grünes Band am Ostseestrand" organised by BUND was used to introduce EUCC-D to a number of German coastal cities and to spread the magazine "Meer & Küste". At this occasion, the PR material produced in 2006 was used.

Cooperations also exist with LOICZ, the German Association for Oceanography ((DGM) "Deutsche Gesellschaft für Meeresforschung") and with the association German Baltic Coast.

#### **Activities**

The **EUCC-D Homepage** <u>www.eucc-d.de</u> continued its strong growth and was visited more than 100.000 times for the first time in (statistics see at http://www.euccd.de/plugins/statistik/statistik.php). In average, it has about 9.000 visitors per month (2006: 5.300). The homepage has been expanded by a Google-Maps based coastal pictures data base. At the same time the project data base could be linked into different other projects like for example SPICOSA and ENCÓRA. Thereby the collected information is provided to and maintained by a steadily growing user community. EUCC-D provides the new developed portal for the national branches in (EUCC-Baltic: the Baltic region http://baltic.eucc-d.de/baltic).

The German Küsten Newsletter's editor changed after almost three years in summer 2007. The Newsletter was distributed every two months to 1057 recipients (at the end of 2007).

**Coastal education** was another very important sector in 2007. The new training module "Eutrophication in coastal and marine waters" was added to the internet platform <a href="https://www.ikzm-d.de">www.ikzm-d.de</a>.

The e-learning software IKZM-D-Lernen was used in Rostock University's distance study course "Environmental education" and in training for nature guides (project "Wer, Wie Watt? Bingo! - Die Umweltlotterie"). Moreover the regional environmental lottery Bingo! - Die Umweltlotterie approved of another coastal learning project: The "Küstenschule" (Coastal school) addresses schools and pupils in middle and high school levels in Schleswig-Holstein.

Different activities like the German Küsten Newsletter, the data bases and a coastal learning project were critically evaluated, and the results were published (see CR 8).

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With respect to **public relations**, EUCC-D presented itself at different events with speeches, posters, stands and promotion material to make EUCC:

- PlanCoast scientific field trip, November, Rothenklempenow
- Husumer Hafentage (Public Port Days of Husum), August
- Sailing trip of BUND "Grünes Band am Ostseestrand" (Baltic Green Belt), July and August, Baltic Sea Coast Schleswig Holstein & Mecklenburg Western Pomerania
- Workshop ENCORA, LOICZ, DGM, August, Hamburg
- Lecture series University of Potsdam, June, Potsdam
- · DGM general meeting, May, Hamburg
- AMK annual conference (Working Group "Geography of coasts and seas"), April, Hamburg

Furthermore some project related press releases were published and a member assembly and three board meetings were held in Hamburg.

#### **Projects**

EUCC-D has continuously made efforts to participate in national projects and prepared acquisition of own projects. It does not compete with EUCC-IS but seeks for opportunities to co-operate.

#### Projects completed in 2007:

- Wer, Wie, Watt? (Bingo! Die Umweltlotterie, September '06 until December '07)
- ASTRA (Interreg IIIB, June '05 until December '07)
- Flyer Ostseeküste für Neugierige (LUNG, March until November '07)

## **Ongoing Projects:**

- Info magazine "Meer & Küste" (North German Foundation for Environment and Development, March '07 until June '08)
- Küstenschule (Coastal School, Bingo! Die Umweltlotterie, August '07 until December '08)
- IKZM-Oder II (Federal Ministry of Education and Research, May '04 until February '08)

#### **Publications & Articles**

Coastline Reports:

Maike Isermann & Kathrin Kiehl (eds.): Restoration of Coastal ecosystems, CR 7

G. Schernewski et al. (eds.): Coastal Development: The Oder estuary and beyond, CR 8

G. Gönnert et al. (eds.): Von der Geoarchäologie über die Küstendynamik zum Küstenzonenmanagement, CR 9

A. Pickaver and D. Sadacharan (eds.): The Benefits of Inter-linking Coastal and River - Management - Twenty case studies world-wide indicate opportunities and constraints, CR 10

- CoastLine special: "Coastal Management in Germany"
- Information Magazine "Meer & Küste Deutsche Ostsee"
- Several articles about EUCC-D in CR 8

All publications can be found at: <a href="http://www.eucc-d.de/plugins/kuestenmanagement/zeitschriften.php">http://www.eucc-d.de/plugins/kuestenmanagement/zeitschriften.php</a>

## **Outlook and future objectives**

EUCC-D's activities can be kept up due to ongoing and submitted projects. The plan is to intensify the activities in the sectors of adaptations to climate change focusing on the German Baltic and North Seas. EUCC-D is also part of the third phase of the ICZM-Oder project which is funded by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research

With respect to project acquisition and implementation, EUCC-D seeks a closer cooperation with EUCC-The Coastal Union. In this context, the EUCC-D got the opportunity to benefit from the EC LIFE+ programme to support NGOs. Also a partnership within the Dolphin Fund is considered. As a result, additional financial capital should be raised. A national Dolphin Fund campaign gives EUCC-D also the opportunity to strengthen public appearances and to collaborate more closely with the national NGO's.

In order to improve the association's representation along the whole German Coast, it has been considered to establish a North Sea Office in the mid term run. EUCC-D is furthermore supportive of a long term cooperation with the German ENCORA-Network beyond the project's financing period.

The coastal data bases are planned to be enlarged by a document database.

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Some web presentations maintained by EUCC-D		
EUCC-D homepage	_	www.eucc-d.de
Study platform IKZM-D-Lernen	_	www.ikzm-d.de
Coastal Data Bases	= <u>818</u>	http://databases.eucc-d.de
EUCC-Baltic	<b>EE</b>	http://baltic.eucc-d.de/baltic
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